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# Jonah



## Jonah 1

***Don't Try to Run from God***

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**God  
is  
very**

**...**

**...**

**...**

**persistent**

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# Jonah 1:1-3



# Wrong & Long Way



# Nineveh

- **Capital of Assyria**
- **“great”:**
  - **Large**
  - **Powerful**
- **But “רָעָה”:** **evil, misery, distress, injury**
  - **people acting evil, but**
  - **people hurting**

# Jonah the Dove

- “יוֹנָה”: Jonah, dove
- **Jonah flew the coop!**



- **Good doves and ...**
- **“Ephraim has become like a dove, silly and without sense”  
(Hos 7:11)**

# Flee from God?

- **Jonah went away from God's “פָּנָה”:** His front, face, or surface
- **But no one can truly run away from God!**
- **Note: Jonah did not flee from Nineveh**



# Jonah 1:4-10



# God's Wind

- “רוּחַ” (Ruach): spirit, wind, breath



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**“Each cried to his  
god”**

- **Lots today also crying out  
to their own god**

# Meanwhile, Jonah is...



# DEEP SLEEP

- **Jonah was not just snoozing “שֵׁנָה”**
- **Jonah was “רָדָם”:  
FAST/DEEP asleep**

# No Call from Jonah

- **Mariners call to their gods, but...**
- **Jonah cannot even call God he just hung up on**

# Casting Lots



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# **Storm Not Enough**

- **Jonah could not even confess God on sinking ship!**
- **A lot called Jonah out**
- **Only then did Jonah confess to the Lord**



# **Mariners More Afraid**

- **“Then the men were even more afraid, and said to him, “What is this that you have done!” For the men knew that he was fleeing from the presence of the LORD.” (1:10)**

# Jonah 1:11-16



# **Mariners Don't Blame God**

- **Blame Jonah!**
- **They know better than to  
mess with God**

# **Gracious Mariners**

- **First tried rowing back to land**
- **Even though Jonah told them OK to throw overboard!**

# **Powerful Mariner Prayer**

- **“for you, O LORD, have done as it pleased you.”  
(1:14)**
- **“Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.”  
(Mat. 6:10)**

# What DID the Lord Do?

- “for you, O LORD, have done as it pleased you.”  
(1:14)
- “עָשָׂה”: do, make /  
press, squeeze
- “חָפַץ”: bend down / delight  
in

# **Mariners Feared Lord**

- **Feared Him more**
- **Offered sacrifice to Him**
- **Made vows**

# THE END...







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# Jonah 1:17



# **God's Mercy in a Large Fish**

- **God could have let Jonah drown in disobedience**
- **But God showed him mercy and spared him consequences of own actions**